

Docket No. 29793-1
03-AQP-379 (CLI)

Declaration and Power of Attorney for Patent Application

As a below-named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

I believe I am an original and first inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR RETAINING A TUBE

the specification of which

- ☐ is attached hereto.
☒ was filed on **August 1, 2006**.

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I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) or Section 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or Section 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

- ☐ no such foreign applications have been filed
☒ such foreign application(s) have been filed as follows:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Not Claimed

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**CLAIM FOR BENEFIT OF EARLIER U.S. PROVISIONAL APPLICATIONS**

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:



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(Filing Date)_____
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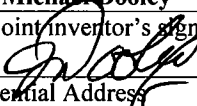
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